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Review reports and proposals for further action and initiatives submitted by organs and specialized agencies of the United Nations system and other concerned organizations

Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

Contribution from the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

1. The Preparatory Committee for the Special Session of the General Assembly on the Implementation of the Outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and Further Initiatives, in paragraph 2 of the annex to decision 1,[1] invited the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), in collaboration with relevant organizations and in the context of its ongoing work relating to the formulation of a positive agenda for trade for developing countries, to carry out an assessment of the sectors and products where action could be taken to further liberalize markets with a view to increasing market access for the exports of developing countries.

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2. In response to that request, the Secretary-General wishes to draw the attention of the Preparatory Committee to the following documents, which UNCTAD has indicated are relevant to the question:

(a) Joint UNCTAD/World Trade Organization study entitled "The post-Uruguay Round tariff environment for developing country exports: tariff peaks and tariff escalation" (TD/B/COM.1/14/Rev.1 of 23 July 1999);

(b) Note by the UNCTAD secretariat entitled "Analysis of experiences in selected service sectors" (TD/B/COM.1/28 of 17 August 1999);

(c) Background note by the UNCTAD secretariat entitled "Assessment of trade in services of developing countries: summary of findings" (UNCTAD/ITCD/TSB/7 of 26 August 1999).

Notes

[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 45* (A/54/45 and corrigendum), chap. VI, sect. B.